Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review

Minutes: June 6, 2017

The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review met at its headquarters located at 12 Halligan Road, Mathias Building #56, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at 1:00 P.M.

## Call to Order:

Chairman Newbrook called the meeting to order at 1:06 P.M.

## **Roll Call:**

Present were Chairman Newbrook, Commissioners Booth, Thornton, Davison and Filippi.

Also present was Executive Director W. Keith Burlingame Esq., Assistant Administrative Officer, Kathy Hague, and Administrative Assistant, Desiree Campanini.

Absent from today's hearing were Vice-chairman Blackburn and Commissioners Jackson, Richard, Walker, Sylvester and Pearson.

## Minutes:

Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commission Davison, to accept the May 23, 2017, minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

## **New Business:**

APPEAL #170077: Jeff Murray and Kelly LeClaire appeared for the property located at 535 Manville Road, Woonsocket. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshal (ADSFM) Michael Morin appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the Applicant a variance to allow the wireless smoke alarm system to remain in use. The motion passed unanimously.

APPEAL #170078: Jeff Murray and Kelly LeClaire appeared for the property located at 18-22 Verdun Street, Woonsocket. ADSFM Michael Morin appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the Applicant a variance to allow the wireless smoke alarm system to remain in use. The motion passed unanimously.

APPEAL #170049: Jason Lavoie, John Ranieri, Kevin Toomey and Joseph Spokis appeared for the property located at 50 Belver Avenue (Torayfan), North Kingstown. ADSFM Gordon Walsh appeared for the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's Office, and Deputy State Fire Marshals (DSFMs) Christine Kent and James Gumbley appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant a time variance three (3) years to develop and implement a plan of action for the installation of a fire alarm system throughout the facility

and to allow the use of fiber optic cables. The Board also directs the Applicant to provide written notice to the AHJ for any proposed modifications to the system. The motion passed unanimously.

APPEAL #170050: Jason Lavoie, John Ranieri, Kevin Toomey and Joseph Spokis appeared for the property located at 21 Cripe Street (EWC), North Kingstown. ADSFM Gordon Walsh appeared for the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's Office, and Deputy State Fire Marshals (DSFMs) Christine Kent and James Gumbley appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant a time variance three (3) years to develop and implement a plan of action for the installation of a fire alarm system throughout the facility and to allow the use of fiber optic cables. The Board also directs the Applicant to provide written notice to the AHJ for any proposed modifications to the system. The motion passed unanimously

APPEAL #170051: Jason Lavoie, John Ranieri, Kevin Toomey and Joseph Spokis appeared for the property located at 50 Belver Avenue (Lumirror), North Kingstown. ADSFM Gordon Walsh appeared for the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's Office, and Deputy State Fire Marshals (DSFMs) Christine Kent and James Gumbley appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant a time variance three (3) years to develop and implement a plan of action for the installation of a fire alarm system throughout the facility

and to allow the use of fiber optic cables. The Board also directs the Applicant to provide written notice to the AHJ for any proposed modifications to the system. The motion passed unanimously

APPEAL #170052: Jason Lavoie, John Ranieri, Kevin Toomey and Joseph Spokis appeared for the property located at 50 Belver Avenue (Main Office), North Kingstown. ADSFM Gordon Walsh appeared for the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's Office, and Deputy State Fire Marshals (DSFMs) Christine Kent and James Gumbley appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant a time variance three (3) years to develop and implement a plan of action for the installation of a fire alarm system throughout the facility and to allow the use of fiber optic cables. The Board also directs the Applicant to provide written notice to the AHJ for any proposed modifications to the system. The motion passed unanimously

APPEAL #170053: Jason Lavoie, John Ranieri, Kevin Toomey and Joseph Spokis appeared for the property located at 130 Mainsail Drive (Clip Shop), North Kingstown. ADSFM Gordon Walsh appeared for the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's Office, and Deputy State Fire Marshals (DSFMs) Christine Kent and James Gumbley appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant a time variance three (3) years to develop and implement a plan of action for the installation of a fire alarm system throughout the facility

and to allow the use of fiber optic cables. The Board also directs the

Applicant to provide written notice to the AHJ for any proposed

modifications to the system. The motion passed unanimously

APPEAL #170047: Robert Collins and Attorney Denita Rossi

appeared for the property located at 3351 East Main

Portsmouth. ADSFM Andrew White appeared for the Portsmouth Fire

Marshal's Office and DSFM Kevin Morris appeared for the State Fire

Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded

by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the Applicant a time variance of

ninety (90) days to install a compliant hood and duct exhaust and fire

extinguishing system in the kitchen. The Board authorized the

Portsmouth Fire Marshal's Office to extend the above timeline(s) for

good faith compliance efforts being demonstrated with the provisions

of the Board Rules and Regulations sections 6-2-22.1. The motion

passed unanimously.

Old Business: None.

**Open Forum: None.** 

**Public Comment:** 

Octavio Vieira introduced Michael O'Brien as the newest deputy at the

State Fire Marshal's Office. Welcome Michael!

Adjournment: Commissioner Davison made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to adjourn the meeting at 1:41 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.